

CHURCH MATTERS.

Religious Notices.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. H. W. Ballantine, Pastor.—Public worship on the Sabbath at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school at 12 M. Sunday services, prayer-meeting, Sabbath, at 7 P. M.; Wednesday prayer-meeting, Thursday, at 7:45 P. M.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH.—Rev. Ezra D. Simons, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school, 12 M. The Lord's Supper, close of morning service; Temperance meeting on Tuesday evenings. Prayer-meeting on Thursday evenings. Young People's meeting, Sabbath evening at 8 o'clock.

METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH.—Rev. D. R. Lowrie, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching at 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school at 2:30 P. M. Prayer-meeting, Thursday evenings at 7:45. Classes, meetings, Tuesday and Friday evenings at 7:45 o'clock.

WESTMINSTER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Fremont street, corner Franklin.—Rev. S. W. Duffield, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, 12 M. Weekly prayer-meeting at 8 o'clock each Thursday evening, in Chapel parlor.

CHRIST CHURCH (Episcopal)—Liberty street.—Rev. W. G. Farrington, D. D., Rector. Morning service, 10:30 o'clock. Second service, 4 P. M. Sunday school at 2:45 P. M.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART.—Rev. J. M. Nardiello, Pastor. First mass, 8:30 A. M. High mass, 10:30 A. M. Vespers, 3 P. M. Sunday school, 2:30 P. M.

BERKELEY UNION SABBATH SCHOOL.—Held in Berkeley School-house, Bloomfield avenue, every Sunday at 3 o'clock P. M. John A. Skinner, Superintendent. All are welcome.

WATERSING M. E. CHURCH.—Rev. J. Cowans, Pastor. Sunday services: Preaching, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M.; Sunday school, 2:30 P. M. Prayer-meeting, Thursday evening at 7:45. Class meeting on Tuesday evening at 7:45.

ST. PAUL'S PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH (Watertown).—Rev. Daniel L. Edwards, Rector. Morning service, 10:30 o'clock; evening service, 7:30. Sunday school, 3 P. M.

GERMAN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.—Rev. John M. Enslin, Pastor. Hours of service, 10:30 A. M. Sunday school, 2 P. M. Prayer-meeting, Tuesday evening, 7:45 o'clock.

REFORMED CHURCH (Brookdale).—Rev. William G. E. See, Pastor. Sabbath services, 10:30 A. M. and 7:30 P. M. Sunday school, 9 A. M. E. G. Day, Superintendent. Prayer-meeting, Wednesday evening.

HOPE CHAPEL.—Sunday school, every Sabbath at 3:30 P. M. John G. Broughton, Superintendent.

SILVER LAKE.—Sabbath school held every Sunday, in the hall, at 3 P. M. Charles A. Hubbs, Superintendent. Gospel meeting every Sabbath evening at 7:30 o'clock. Prayer and Conversational meeting, Friday evening.

BLOOMFIELD S. S. TEACHERS' NORMAL CLASS.—Rev. W. H. Brothold, Leader.—Meets on Wednesday evening of each week, at 8 o'clock in the Sunday school rooms of the First Baptist Church. Sunday-school teachers, workers and friends are cordially invited.

The course of Sunday evening sermons now being delivered in the Park M. E. Church, by the pastor, Rev. D. R. Lowrie, have created a profound impression. The congregations are large, and are deeply interested. The topics thus far discussed are as follows: Real Friendship, The Tyranny of Fashion, Gambling and its effects, and The Spirit of Young America. The subject-to-morrow evening will be "The Physical, Intellectual and Moral Culture of Young Ladies." A popular service of praise is held for twenty minutes before the sermon. Children's Day will be observed in the school and church on the second Sunday of June. Special arrangements are in progress.

The Forty Hours Devotion.

The "Forty Hours" devotion ended at the high mass Sunday at the Church of the Sacred Heart. Each church in a Catholic diocese has it allowed time to continue the "Perpetual Adoration" of the Blessed Sacrament and in each church it is a season for special devotions and ceremonies. The adoration continues for forty hours, hence the name. On Friday, May 23d, it opened with grand mass and a procession of the children of the various sodalities around the church, with the pastor bearing the chalice containing the host. It was placed later on the richly dressed altar and then exposed to the veneration of the people, day and night, till on Sunday at the last mass. It was again carried in procession following the cross bearer and acolytes and the little ones strewing flowers in the path, till deposited in the tabernacle and the feast was ended. This ceremony is taken advantage of by the pastors to exhort the people to renewed piety, and the effects might have been seen at the early mass on Sunday when nearly the whole parish, male and female, approached and partook of the Holy Communion. The pastor was assisted at the confessional by two clergymen from the neighboring parish. The decorations of the altar were superb and rich, and with the sparkling lights, the artistic music of the choir and reverence of the people, it was truly a beautiful Christian feast.

About Taxes.

To the Citizen:

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May 24, 1884. E. L. SMALL.

A Letter to the B. F. A.

To the Citizen:

As business engagements necessitated my absence from the village on Monday last and prevented my saying to the members of the B. F. A. what I would like to have said at the close of the election, had I been present, will you kindly allow me the use of your columns to say a few words to the members of the association?

Gentlemen of the B. F. A.—On my return last evening I was very much surprised to learn that the election of Monday had resulted in the choice of myself for President. While I appreciate this token of confidence I would very much rather the choice would have fallen on some one having more time to devote to its interests than I can possibly do. I regret very much any differences that may have arisen among the members and hope the past will be forgotten and that we will all work together for the advancement of the interests of the organization.

While I am its President I shall endeavor to know no truck nor hose, but shall strive to study the good of the association, and I ask the encouragement and co-operation of every member in this purpose.

Respectfully yours,

G. T. MOORE.

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Bicycling on the Sidewalks.

To the Citizen:

For some time past a dozen or more boys have had free use of the sidewalks for riding velocipedes and old wooden bicycles. If the pedestrians do not choose to give them the right of way they will take it by running into them with their machines. On several instances I have seen children struck with them and ladies compelled to jump out of the way to avoid being injured by the reckless riders.

A few evenings since, as a respected resident of the West End was going to his home, a boy, living on Thomas street, came along at a breakneck speed with an old rickety wheel. As the gentleman did not stop to the curb and give the boy the whole walk, he ran against him. The injured man then took his cane and gave the boy a well deserved thrashing for his impudence and recklessness. They offer believing prayer and works accompany their faith.

"They believe that religion and temperance are so mingled together at this present crisis that they cannot be separated. Oh! that every church member in our town and all over the land might have a deep conviction in their own soul that they have a part in this battle of right against wrong, and that they are injuring the cause of Christ by not boldly showing their colors, and not setting their faces as a flint against this great curse in its most aggravated as well as its less noticeable forms."

Twenty years ago the women of our country thought little about politics; but they are waking up now to see what is their part in the struggle. Have we not as mothers, power to influence aright the little voices as they are laid in our arms at their birth? With brooding love and care we think and plan for them while so young. As the years roll on the mother helps her boy to think for himself, and her influence for right or wrong goes with him through life whether he is willing to acknowledge it or not.

We are praying for a God-fearing man in the White House, one who is pure in habit and principle, one who by personal example and precept will show to the thousands of eyes fixed upon him, that the liquor traffic and its revenue is detested by him, and that strong drink shall never pass his lips. May God give us the right man, who will throw all the power and force of his position upon the side of prohibition and safety.

W. C. T. U.

For God and Home and Native Land.

The day of prayer, which was appointed by the National W. C. T. U. and observed all over the United States, proved to be a day of great profit and inspiration to those who faithfully kept it. The local Unions of the neighboring towns met with the women of Newark in their new hall, corner Market and Mulberry streets. Montclair, Elizabethtown, Jersey City, Rahway, Bloomfield, and perhaps other Unions were largely represented there. Throughout the whole day earnest supplication went up to God for our country, the men who are to be appointed to hold office in the coming presidential campaign, those who shall meet to nominate them, and all voters.

The women of the Christian Temperance Union are consecrated earnest workers, and who shall dare to say that the fervor of

factual prayers of these 125,000 godly women all over the land will be disregarded by the Mighty One whose ear is ever open to the cry of His children.

Did He not hear the cry of His children in bondage so many thousand years ago? And does He close His eyes to the fearful bondage of our own time?

We believe He says to us as He did to them: "I have surely seen the affliction of my people, and have heard their cry; for I know their sorrows, and I am come down to deliver."

Already we see the beginning of the end; let us pray on and never faint, for we shall rep in due season; their number cannot equal those which also

hold slays as his reign goes on.

The brave do not dwell on the fatal consequences that may follow the war, but only on the battle to be fought when brought face to face with the enemy. Let God take care of consequences, and goodness stand up for the right in this war.

The women may take courage and work and pray on leaving the government upon the husbands and fathers. They want it not, they may well prefer to "let the men hold the reins," but they can gently and quietly show them the way to go, in regard to this weighty matter.

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Temperance School.

The President of the Reform Club visited the Juvenile School on Saturday last, and was very much pleased with the general appearance of the school, and the plan on which it was conducted.

A stranger that was present remarked on the bright pleasant faces of the children, and the zeal of the teachers, who were

present in full corps, and was especially pleased with the Superintendent and President, who are certainly most suitably chosen.

Julia Holmes, one of the younger scholars, recited creditably a sprightly poem.

The children seem to take hold of the valuable lessons in a surprising manner. Surely good results will follow, with God as guide.

"Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

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M. E. B.

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Desecrating the Cemetery.

To the Citizen:

I would like to call your attention to an evil which has existed and still exists, and is a disgrace to our town, viz.: the desecration of our cemetery by a lot of objects which call themselves young men, who are in the habit of congregating there and acting in an outrageous manner. One would suppose, from their actions and conversation, that they had just escaped from some penitentiary or insane asylum. It has become so obnoxious that those wishing to visit the graves of friends cannot do so without having to encounter a swarm of these pestilential mortals, who are ever present. I notice, at the entrance, three stone pillars which have been standing like sentinels for the past five years. What they are intended for is a mystery—may be the trustees of the yard purpose placing gates at that point in future. It would seem that the receipts from the yard would warrant them in finishing where they left off, at once. Afterwards, let tickets of admission be furnished to those who are entitled to receive them and keep out those who only visit the resting place of the dead for other than legitimate purposes. If necessary, let the Township Committee detail a constable or two whose business it shall be to patrol the cemetery on Sundays, and arrest any who are detected violating the laws of decorum or decency, and let the Justice of the Peace deal severely with all offenders—in giving them a full share of strictly pure Jersey justice. A few examples and the evil will cease to exist.

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More Light Wanted.

To the Bloomfield Citizen:

Is there any likelihood of gas light being introduced on Washington street from the railroad to Midland avenue? This is one of the most traveled streets in the town, leading up to the "West End" and Glen Ridge, and must be gone over in darkness. It is a fortunate thing that it is a singularly well-regulated community up that way, or the shades of night might oft be disturbed by the unwary voyager howling, as he lifted himself out from the ditches, that lie a part of the way. After the singular park is accomplished, a hat might be passed around for the relief of that portion of our townsmen.

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Mount Tabor.

This place is becoming more and more beautified every day. The avenues and grounds are being put in fine condition, and there is great improvement in the class of cottages that are being built. The trustees have put up a new engine-house and tapped another spring, so as to insure an abundance of water in any emergency. As a general thing only one engine will be used, but when the families crowd the cottages, and the thousands of people on the grounds they may need to use both engines. The corporation has control of still another spring of large capacity, but it is not probable that it will be called into use for the reservoirs in years to come. It lies between the camp ground and the railroad. Many who have been attracted to the seashore in bygone years, are turning their face toward the mountains. A successful year is anticipated for Mount Tabor. The Committee on Public Service intend to provide a rich programme, and they have had experience in this work and know how to do it. Rev. D. R. Lowrie and Rev. A. L. Brice, D. D., are said committee, and they will avail themselves of some of the best talent in the land for the pulpit, while the trustees admirably arrange all the temporanies. An excellent store has already opened on the ground, with ample supplies of fresh groceries, fruits, milk, etc., at moderate prices. A post office is established on the grounds, and also telegraphic communication.

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